

# **CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 91 - SB 344**

April 11, 2003

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Establishes a maximum rate of not more than \$20.00 for up to 40 pages and \$.25 for each additional page for furnishing medical records to a non-indigent person.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

On February 5, 2003 we issued a fiscal note on this bill indicating an impact of *Minimal* because charges made by the Department of Health for records are currently below these limits.

Based on additional information provided to us, the estimated fiscal impact of this bill is:

### **Other Fiscal Impact - Increase Federal Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000**

According to information from the Department of Human Services, hospital records are required to evaluate Social Security Disability Claims. Some record requests would not be subject to increased fees because of the exemption for indigent cases. DHS processes over 100,000 such cases annually, many of which are non-indigent and would be subject to the increased fees. Because all these cases are Social Security, the increased expense is federally funded. The amount cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director